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## Gilbert welcomes St. Clair County official in testifying before lawmakers

April 29, 2004 — Sen. Jud Gilbert, R-Algonac, listens as Jeffrey Friedland, the emergency management coordinator of St. Clair County, testified today before a joint hearing of the Senate and House appropriations subcommittees on state police and military affairs. Friedland talked about homeland security funding for local governments. The discussion focused on how the federal government is moving toward using factors such as the presence of important structures, including roads and bridges, in allocating money instead of just an area's population.

The committees discussed legislative oversight of how the state uses federal homeland-security dollars.

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Comments from Sen. Gilbert on homeland security are available for download on the Senate Majority Audiowire at www.senate.michigan.gov/gop.

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